as developing the capability to launch these satellites. The major thrust for the space programme for the 90's will be towards utilisation of space technology to its full potential for several applications of importance to national development. A self-reliant integrated programme with maximum utilisation of industrial infrastructure in the country is planned.

Export of Defence Equipment

2214. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is considering export of defence equipment to the neighbouring countries;

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal in this regard has been under Government's consideration;

(c) if so, the number of countries which have requested India for supply of such defence equipment; and

(d) whether any agreement in this regard has been reached with these countries and if so, the details of the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) such requests can be considered.

(b) to (d) It will not be in public interest to disclose details.

Recommendations made by the Public Enterprises Selection Board for Selection of officers

2215. SARDAR JAGJIT SINGH AURORA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Public Enterprises Selection Board for the selection of officers of the level of directors of the Boards of Directors of the industrial institutions being run in the public sector, has made some recommendations to the Government;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government had made appointments on the basis of these recommendations; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) The Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) was reconstituted in March, 1987. The PESB is a recommendatory body. According to the information available the PESB made 202 recommendations during the period from April, 1987 to October, 1988 for filling up of posts at Board level positions in Public Sector Enterprises. It may be mentioned in this context that wherever the PESB had made recommendation twice for the same post during the period in question, the recommendation, which has been accepted by the Government, has been included. Based on these recommendations, appointments to 152 posts have been made by the Govt. Out of the remaining recommendations, 2 have not been accepted by the Government. In 4 cases the posts have been kept in abeyance and as such the recommendations of the PESB have not yet been finally considered. The remaining recommendations of the PESB are under process at various stages in accordance with the prescribed procedure.

गाजियाबाद में केन्द्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना का औषधालय

2216. **कुमारी सुशीला तिरिया :** क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि गाजियाबाद में केंद्रीय सरकार स्वास्थ्य योजना का मात्र एक औषधालय है;

(ख) इसके अंतर्गत आने वाले क्षेत्रों के नाम क्या हैं;